MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla.III*) : I wish to know the exact date of the order selecting them ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The order was issued by the Conservator of Forests. The information asked for is not with me now.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : May I know from the member whether orders were issued before the sanction was obtained from the Legislature for the necessary funds ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

Recommendations of the Education Advisory Board.

57. ✻**MR. T. K. ALEXANDER** (*Kunnatnad I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the recommendations passed by the first meeting of the Education Advisory Board, referring to the undertaking by Government of an industrial survey and the abolition of the existing waiting list in the Education Department, were accepted by Government; and

(*b*) if so, whether those recommendations were put into effect ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) : (*a*) *First Part.* Under consideration.

Second Part. Yes.

(*b*) No.

MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*) : With reference to answer to part (*b*) may I know from the member why that delay is caused ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) : The Government have approved the recommendation to abolish the existing waiting list. But before the waiting list can really be abolished there is a certain amount of preliminary work to be done to examine the existing list so that qualified candidates may be retained. Till then it cannot be said definitely that the waiting list has been abolished.

Proposals of the Education Advisory Board.

58. ✻**MR. T. K. ALEXANDER** (*Kunnatnad I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the proposals that were discussed in the second meeting of the Education Advisory Board ;

(*b*) the proposals that were passed or adopted in the meeting ; and

(*c*) the proposals that were accepted by the Government ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) :

(*a*) (1) Medical inspection in Vernacular Schools.

(2) The lengthening of the primary course and the future Vernacular Middle Schools.

(3) The fee concession scheme.

(4) Help to depressed classes.

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(5) The holding of another E. S. L. C. Examination under the Provisional Scheme.

(*b*) A scheme for medical inspection was approved by the Board. The Board reiterated its desire that the proposals regarding the lengthening of the primary course and the transformation of Vernacular Middle Schools should be introduced as early as possible. The Board agreed to the payment of full compensation by Government for the grant of fee concessions when Government funds permitted. The Board recommended an extension of the fee concession system to depressed class pupils in all institutions. The Board recommended a restriction in the grant of fee concessions to poor and deserving pupils. The Board approved of the proposals of special grant-in-aid to depressed class pupils and Muslim girls in Vernacular Schools. The Board did not approve of the holding of another examination under the Provisional Scheme.

(*c*) The recommendations of the Board are under consideration.

MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*): With reference to answer to part (*c*) may I know from the member whether all the recommendations of the Advisory Board are under consideration of Government?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): The answer to questions 63 and 64 will show that a number of the recommendations have already been accepted by Government. Those that have not been accepted by Government are under consideration.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur cum Pattanapuram*): May I know from the member whether those recommendations accepted by the Government have been given effect to?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Yes.

Education Reforms Committee and management schools.

59. ***MR. T. K. ALEXANDER** (*Kunnatnad I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any of the recommendations of the Education Reforms Committee, referring to management schools, have been placed before the Education Advisory Board;

(*b*) if so, what were the recommendations adopted by the Board; and

(*c*) whether such recommendations were put into force?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) The following recommendations have been discussed by the Education Advisory Board:—

(i) Co-education in Primary Schools.
(ii) Mixed staffs in Primary Schools.
(iii) The extension of the primary course to five years.
(iv) The recognition of primary classes attached to English Schools.

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